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 11-13 November 2006

Saturday 11 November 2006

Opening
19:00 -23:00

Welcomes

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Mr. Mohammad Reza Darbandi, Cultural Counsellor of the Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran, and Dr. Antigoni Zournatzi, Senior Researcher at the Institute of Greek and Roman Antiquity, NHRF

Opening Lecture by Professor Pierre Briant
Chair, History and Civilization of the Achaemenid World and the Empire of Alexander,
Collège de France

“Greeks and Persians: history, politics and historiography”
(in English with simultaneous Greek translation)

Traditional Greek and Iranian music

Reception

Sunday 12 November 2006

Session I 9:30 - 14:00

Chairs: Mohammad Reza Kargar, Dr. Demitrios Konstantios

- 9:30-10:00 Dr. Mehdi Rahbar — Historical Iranian and Greek relations in retrospect
10:00-10:30 Professor Stephen V. Tracy — Europe and Asia: Aeschylus’ *Persians* and Homer’s *Iliad*
10:30-11:00 Professor Angeliki Petropoulou — The death of Masistios and the mourning for his loss (Hdt. 9.20-25)
11:00-11:30 Professor Kyriakos Tsantsanoglou — Magi in fifth-century BC Athens?

Coffee Break

- 12:00-12:30 Dr. Massoud Azarnoush — Hajiabad and the dialogue of civilizations
12:30-13:00 Dr. Sara Alinia — Zoroastrianism and Christianity in the Sasanian Empire (4th century AD)
13:00-13:30 Dr. Evangelos Venetis — Graeco-Persian literary interactions in antiquity and their influence on classical Persian literature
13:30-14:00 Dr. Garth Fowden — Pseudo-Aristotelian politics and theology: from Rome to Qom

Lunch

Session II 16:00-19:30

Chairs: Dr. Sara Alinia, Dr. Miltiades B. Hatzopoulos

- 16:00 -16:30 Dr. Michael N. Weiskopf — The settlement of Artaphernes-Mardonius in Herodotus as an example of imperial nostalgia
16:30-17:00 Professor Askold I. Ivantchik — Greeks and Iranians in the Cimmerian Bosphorus in the 1st century BC - 1st century AD: new epigraphical data from Tanais
17:00-17:30 Professor Christopher Tuplin — A Persian inheritance? The Seleucids and their Achaemenid predecessors
17:30-18:00 Dr. Gerassimos G. Aperghis — Managing an empire - teacher and pupil

Coffee break

- 18:30-19:00 Dr. Hassan Fazeli Nashli — A review of archaeological research aims and studies in Iran
19:00-19:30 Professor Pierre Briant — Presentation of the *Musée achéménide virtuel et interactif (MAVI)*

The time allowed for each presentation is 20 minutes with an additional 10 minutes for discussion.

Monday 13 November 2006

Session III 9:00 – 13:30

Chairs: Dr. Hassan Fazeli Nashli, Dr. Ioannis Meimaris

- 9:00-9:30 Shahrokh Razmjou — Persia and Greece, forgotten history of cultural relations
9:30-10:00 Professor David Stronach — Patterns of conquest and patterns of construction: a new look at the birth of Achaemenid art and architecture
10:00-10:30 Dr. Mohammad Hassan Talebian — The role of cultural dialogue and interaction in architecture (with special reference to the interaction and dialogue between Iran and Greece at Persepolis and Pasargadae)
10:30-11:00 Professor Margaret Cool Root — Reading Persepolis in Greek - Part Two: marriage metaphors and unmanly virtues

Coffee Break

- 11:30-12:00 Professor Olga Palagia — The marble of the Penelope from Persepolis and its historical implications
12:00-12:30 Dr. Antigoni Zournatzi — Cultural interconnections in the Achaemenid West: the testimony of the Cypriot archaeological record
12:30-13:00 Yannick Lintz — Greek, Anatolian and Persian iconography in Asia Minor: material sources, method and perspectives
13:00-13:30 Professor Vakhtang Licheli — Greek and Achaemenid elements in Southern Georgia: chronology of events

Lunch

Session IV 15:30-19:30

Chairs: Dr. Massoud Azarnoush, Dr. Ioannis Touratsoglou

- 15:30-16:00 Ali A. Vahdati — Some reflections on a common motif in ancient Greece and ancient Iran
16:00-16:30 Dr. Stavros A. Paspalas — The adaptation of the Achaemenid griffin in a Macedonian tomb-painting and a Sikyonian mosaic
16:30-17:00 Dr. Despina Ignatiadou — Psychotropic plants on Achaemenid-style vessels

Coffee break

- 17:30-18:00 Dr. Eleni Zimi — Achaemenid adaptations in Late Classical and Hellenistic silver vessels from Macedonia
18:00-18:30 Dr. Pavlos Triantafyllidis — Achaemenid influences on Rhodian minor arts and crafts
18:30-19:00 Dr. Nasser Norouzzadeh Chegini — Cultural relations between Greeks and Iranians during the Sasanian period
19:00-19:30 Closing of Conference